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FYI – Forrest, you will inevitably be pulled into this.

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Based on the national call today, I propose we take the following approach re the senior level discussions with states about nutrient approaches:

- One the attached list of questions is finalized by HQ, we should have our knowledgeable assessment, WQS, TMDL, and permit staff fill out answers for each state, to the best of our knowledge.
- Send the “filled out by us” questionnaire to the states and give them some time to consider it.
- Schedule a staff/mid-management discussion with the state (in person, by V/C, or teleconference) to discuss each of the answers and identify obstacles to progress.
- Follow up with a senior-level discussion which summarizes the earlier discussion and focuses an action plan to advance nutrient efforts in the state.

We could stagger these discussions over several months and address one state at a time.

Let's discuss this approach in the next week or two and finalize a path forward.

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